## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY FOR PATENT APPLICATION

Attorney Docket No. 38190/244737

As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that:

My residence, mailing address, and citizenship are as stated below next to my name.

I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled

APPARATUS AND ASSOCIATED METHOD FOR JOINING AND SEALING CONDUITS,

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I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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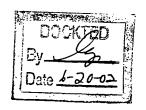
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## ASSIGNMENT

THIS ASSIGNMENT, made by us, Jayant D. Patel, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 21221 Calle Olivia, Lake Forest, California 92630; and Alfred R. Wiratunga, citizen of the United States of America, residing at 8420 Geyser Avenue, Northridge, California 91324, respectively;

WITNESSETH: That,

WHEREAS, we are the joint inventors of certain new and useful improvements in APPARATUS AND ASSOCIATED METHOD FOR JOINING AND SEALING CONDUITS for which an application for United States Letters Patent has been executed by us concurrently herewith, and

WHEREAS, The Boeing Company, a Delaware corporation having a principal place of business at Seattle, King County, Washington, with a mailing address of Post Office Box 3707, M/S 13-08, Seattle, WA 98124-2207, hereinafter referred to as assignee, is desirous of acquiring the entire right, title, and interest in and to said invention as described in said application, and in and to any and all Letters Patent which shall be granted therefor in the United States of America and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, To Whom It May Concern, be it known that for good and valuable consideration, the receipt and sufficiency of which is hereby acknowledged, we have sold and by these presents do hereby sell, assign, transfer, and convey unto the said assignee, its successors and assigns, the entire right, title, and interest in and to the said invention and application, and in and to any and all continuations, continuations-in-part, or divisions thereof, and in and to any and all Letters Patent of the United States of America and all foreign countries or reissues thereof which may be granted therefor or thereon, for the full end of the term for which said Letters Patent may be granted, together with the right to claim the priority of said application in all foreign countries in accordance with the International Convention, the same to be held and enjoyed by said assignee, its successors and assigns, as fully and entirely as the same would have been held and enjoyed by me if this assignment and sale had not been made.

We hereby request that said Letters Patent be issued in accordance with this assignment.

We further covenant and agree that, at the time of the execution and delivery of these presents, we possess full title to the invention and application above-mentioned, and that we have the unencumbered right and authority to make this assignment.

We further covenant and agree to bind our heirs, legal representatives, and assigns promptly to communicate to said assignee or its representatives any facts known to us relating to said invention, to testify in any interference or legal proceedings involving said invention, to execute any additional papers which may be requested to confirm the right of the assignee, its representatives, successors, or assigns to secure patent or similar protection for the said invention in all countries and to vest in the assignee complete title to the said invention and Letters Patent, without further compensation, but at the expense of said assignee, its successors, assigns, and other legal representatives.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, we have hereunto set our hands and seals as dated below.

<u>04/09/02</u> Date

Jayant D. Patel

04/04/02 Date

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